IN CHURCH NAME TO AVOID TAXES.

John D. Rockefeller Testifies That He Owned St. Mark's Lease.

LET IT APPEAR HE DIDN'T.

Case of Dr. Potter Against the Millionaire Finally Reaches a Trial.

PRYOR'S INTIMATION.

Says He Has About Made Up His Mind in Mr. Rockefeller's Favor, but Will Accept Briefs and Study Them.

Millionaire John D. Rockefeller, who took he stand for a short time yesterday aftern in the suit brought against him by the Rev. Dr. Daniel C. Potter, in the name of he Tabernacie Baptist Church, was asked: Who was the real owner of the lease obined from the St. Mark's Church?"
"I was," he answered.

But it was held in the name of the

ch; why was that?" reason for that," replied Mr. ler, "was to escape taxation. If held the lease in my name the propuld have been taxed. If the church It was exempt from taxation."

omewhat astonishing statement tion. For the most part his replies were monosyllable. He wore a black frock coat light striped trousers; a high standing and blue four-in-hand tie. His mild blue eyes took on a steely when he glanced, as he frequently ils old friend, Dr. Potter. It was le that the minister's eyes did not neet those of the millionnire's.

sckefeller said he had frequently The minister had tried to get him to ad-140,000 for the erection of a building property leased from St. Mark's He consented, he sald, to the easing of the property and paid all of the expenses incident to it. He took a mort

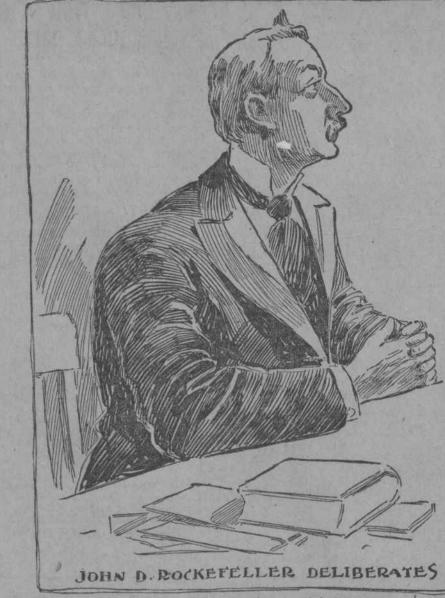
SLINDNESS NO EXCUSE, people demin

Appearances indicate that he is a respecta- structures.

then adjourned until Friday.

ance at the Waldorf,
The seventh matinee of the Metropolitan

Gets Judgment a Fourth Time.



Actors in a Minister's Suit Against a Millionaire. Both Mr. Rockefeller and the Rev. Mr. Potter were on the witness stand pesterday in the trial of the case before Justice Roger A. Pryor. The Justice intimated that he would decide in Mr. Rockefeller's favor.

count for the City's Enlarged Budget.

Was Increased at the Demand of the People.

mys take a mortgage for your FITCH AND M'COOK IGNORED, MUST HURRY ALL CRITICISMS.

and City Chamberlain, While the Corporation Counsel Is Highly Praised.

Justice Pryor, tried, for time finances in his annual message, sent to the finances in his annual message, sent to the board of Aldermen yesterday. While show- Greater New York has been made by the nay the increase in the net founded debt is bigger city, and it was embodied in the only \$8,391,689.11.

Opera Musicales, which occurred yesterday now in the new ball room of the Waldorf, was ndrew J. Nutting recovered a verdict well attended. As there are no reserved

andrew J. Nutting recovered a verdict considered and search the search of the size of the search that the supreme court, sookign yesterday. This was the fourth in of the suit. Each time the jury gave variety for the plaintiff, and each time higher court reversed the ruling. Damber was claimed by the plaintiff because the elevated structure in front of his ultran street store.

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POLICE TO RULE AT YACHT RACES.

His Honor Attempts to Ac- Commodore Gerry's Suggestion Adopted by Charter Makers.

IMPLICATES THE PUBLIC. NO CROWDING THE RACERS

Says the Total Bonded Debt Excursion Boats Must Not Steam Over the Lines Decided Upon.

No Credit Given to the Comptroller Draft Committee Requests Heads of Departments to Send in Their Suggestions Before January 23.

ing that the total bonded debt of the city has increased from \$188,153,107.86 in 1895 to \$198,341,017.15 in 1896, he figures that His Honor ingeniously argued that the people demanded the outlay, and that.

therefore, no blame should attach to the administration. He presented a little table to prove that the funded debt had gradual to prove the necessary order at all yacht races which are held on the waters within the jurisdiction of the city. The Board may establish what might be to expenditures for permanent improvements, such as parks, docks, school houses, are insensible to light of the strongest kind. Appearances indicate that he is a respectatherefore, no blame should attach to the make such rules and regulations as will His only reference to the recent "spat" or the other of the competing yachts was

dre and police stations, bridges and other departments are recovered by the dece of the competing such to one errortures.

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corrections; on Friday considering the De-arriments of Building and Taxes and As-essments; while on Saturday the last of the public hearings will be given and the

the States five months ago and brought the These importations were admitted free

Bondsmen of the Failed Mapleson Company
Appeal to the Treasury.

Washington, Jan. 12.—A question involving the ownership of the Mapleson Com-





1479, 1481 and 1483 Third Ave., at 84th St. provements. The Commission will sit every a flay this week, taking up to-morrow the Departments of Docks, Fire, Charities and

MR. PLATT'S COMMITTEES handle the Greater New York Speaker O'Grady Is Busy Making Out the

List of Assembly As-

Aibany, Jan. 12.—Speaker O'Grady of the Assembly is here fixing up that part of the committee assignments Mr. Platt is permitting him to make. The scrambles of the members have not been so strong this year, for never has it been so apparent that the favors are at Mr. Platt's disposal, as it is now. Well posted members have sent in is now. Well posted members have sent in REPORT IN FAVOR OF FRANCIS.

pointed chairman of the Ways and Means

their requests to Platt direct.

Going with his position as leader on the floor, Nixon, of Chautauqua, will be ap-

of Indorsement.

committee. The plum of the Assembly—
the Railroads Committee—is for Eldridge, of
Warren, a protege of State Treasurer
Colvin, Colvin,

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